A BOW OF ALMOND GREEN AND OLD GOLD OR ROSE COLOR REVERSIBLE RIBBON. BLACK

WEDDING TOILETS.

How Modern Brides Should Dress to Be in Style.

THREE GOOD TYPES.

Women Fit to Be Life-Long Companions Characteristic Faces-The Best Man and His Duties-Abolish the Wedding Trip-Earrings Not Worn.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

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he marriage toilet may be seen in the initial sketch and another next below. In these cases the brides chose to depart from conven tional usage and garb themselves like girls ar rayed modestly and becomingly for an evening party. The fabrics were white satin and the embellishments were in the same color. In the first example the sprays on the waist and skirt were embroidered by - hand in the finest conceivable manner, making an exceedingly costly toilet, as well as



A MARRIAGE DRESS. In further illustration of the wedding topic have made three sketches from photographs of actual brides. They have all married within month. So far as they are fashiou plates they show three styles of hair dressing and of cor-sage. But let us consider them ethically. In grandma's time girls used to marry too young. Glance at the pictures here given and you will form some idea of how the standard of brides form some stee of how the standard of brides has been raised in latter years. No one of these ladies is less than twenty-one. They range between that and twenty-eight. The faces are bright serious and self-controlled. Not the faces of thildren and unformed girls, but those of women fit to be the companions of the men whom they have married. Eyes and lips in each case speak carnestness and gentle strength. Only one of the faces could be called conventionally "pretty," and even that one, the first, wears so sweetly grave a look, and so steady a light shines from the eyes, that it only adds to the effect already produced by the others, and one whispers to himself,



PIRST BRIDE.

igures; they are marrying women, and soul and Here and there a close study of one or another of the faces leads to the criticism there is lacking a certain confiding softdevelopment and that this lack is to be supplied. These women with straightforward, extract eyes and quiet lips are going to meet the duties of wifehood as it should best and most wisely be met, and those duties, the new life, the new surrounding of care and tenderness and the dear weight of new responsibilities will light the look of love and womanhood in their eyes and set its softness about their The man who takes such a woman into leart has the developing of a well-rounded an at his hand. The years will bring these

only a larger womanhood, not a narrowed one. The pretty girl, the pampered girl, the already selfish woman, the untrained child are going out of fashion. The pictures 1 have chosen are only a few of many. The beauty of soul is being acknowledged. We may hope for better times, better men, better homes, and when that is said all is said.

By the way, only one of these women wears earrings. The others have delicately modeled ears, a sure sign of innate refinement. They have all well-marked eyebrows, a sure sign of that "there is room for improvement." It was well-balanced mental power. They have all for the purpose of finding out just where this well-marked lashes, and that is a sure sign of the poetry and imaginative capabilities that go to make up the lovely women. They all show those minor points of delicate beauty by virtue of which a woman is truly lovely. By the way, I am willing to wager that they all have smooth, clear skin, the sort of skin that a woman with a well-balanced mind and the good digestion that usually attends such a mind has, and I will wager, too, that their hands are as full of character, as beautifully unbeautiful as are their



costly toilet, as well as a beautiful one. The shaping of the gown itself was severely plain and simple. This young bride wore no veil, or orange blossoms, or anything else to denote that she was at her own wedding. That was her fancy.

The bride of the second picture put on a permits and, as the French woman never would, the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the cab drivers, but solely and only to find out the ordinance and my confidence, and I want to give my testimony against those arraigned before the bar of public justice. In two years I have the bar of public justice, in two years I have the bar of public justice. In two years I have the bar of public justice, in two years I have the bar of public justices and I want to give my testimony against those arraigned before the bar of public justices.

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Again it must be said that the object of this mad occasion to use a cab only three times and I am grateful that one at least out of those remains as a souvenir to me of honesty on wheels. In other respects I am doing quite well, thank your and the amount charged. Only such the cab drivers with the ordinance and my confidence, and I want to give my testimony agai The bride of the second picture put on a veil and a wreath of orange blossom. The illustration shows the dress only, with its widely puffed sleeves, its high bodice and its trailing skirtembroidered in silk and edged with lace. To a prospective bride who writes to ask what she shall wear at the altar in order not to be "the usual sort of thing" I can only reply that nine tenths of the bridal dresses are still made of white satin or silk. Of course, I mean what are called full dress weddings. But there is a growing independence as to marriage robes, and any girl may indulge her own taste—if it be good—in choosing the gown.

The bride wore a magnificant what the evils of the system are. If any cab driver of the city will but think over the matter seriously he will see almost immediately that if the people of this city, as well as the temporary visitors, can feel sure that they may call any cab in sight, drive to their desired destination and then be charged the exact and proper legal fare for that distance, or for the fundamental idea of the bride as a veiled and modest virgin brought to her husband is most likely to evoive a really tasteful and impressive wedding. That which has as its chief purpose the "starring," and any girl may indulge her own taste—if it be good—in choosing the gown. garity. The attendants are, as the bride de-cides, bridesmaids or pages. If the bride has a was demanded of her for each trip, and was so sister or a very dear friend she is maid of honor, and bears to the bride the relation that the best man does to the groom. Often all but the sister or friend are dispensed with on the bride's side, who has then merely the maid of honor. Ushers, who are supposed to equal in number the bridesmaids and balance the party, are essential, whether there are any maids or not. They see to scating the people if it is a church wedding, and to disposing the guests at a hone wedding. Only after all this is done does the bridal party appear, and then the ushers are free to take their part in the bridal march or to take their places as has been ar-



THIRD BRIDE. Whether or no there is a maid of honor. there must be a best man. He is supposed to be on hand and to know everything the groom forgets, and as the groom probably forgets everything you see how important the best man is. He is almost more important than the groom. In fact, I know of one swell wedding where the best man, standing, of course, close to the elbow of the groom during the ceremony, made half the responses, owing to the groom's voice going back on him. It is the best man who knows where the ring is, the best man who takes care of it and nudges the groom when it is time to use it, and it is the best man who knows which is the bride, and keeps the groom from distractedly marrying one of the maids or be on hand and to know everything the groom from distractedly marrying one of the maids or the mother. The maid of honor, or the first bridesmaid, performs the same offices for the brides maid, performs the same offices for the bride, who is never in the flabby and scared condition the groom is in. From the church the bride and groom go in a carriage to the house of the bride. There is held a brief recep-tion or, if it is a morning wedding, the usual

is a train to catch, or they all pretend there is, and the bride slips away as soon as she can to don her traveling gown. For a morning wedding the groom has worn a suit in which he can travel, unless he has been very French and does as the Frenchmen do for the 11 o'clock weddings, worn a full-dress suit. In that case his best man drags him off to an apartment provided, and sees that he does not get his traveling coat on wrong side out. Then the two pretend to "slip away," and of course they are discovered, and that is the time for rice and all that. As to a wedding journey, that is as they please. The English custom is to "bor-row" for a week or so the country house or hunting lodge of a friend, some place only a few hours out of town. It is nothing short of vuigar and uncivilized to start a woman off on ness of outlines. But it is a good thought that vuigar and uncivilized to start a woman off on this comes only from a certain lack of heart a long trip on cars or boat after all the excita-

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE

to Attack the Cab Drivers, but Solely to Find Out the Evils of the System-Extracts

From the Inspector's Report.



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sharks in it as well as there are everywhere,
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The hack inspector in his recent report, which is quoted below, is authority for the statement that "there is room for improvement." It was improvement might be made to the greatest advantage that The Star man made his little jaunt around the city. To say that everything is as it should be would be as foolish as to say that everything is bad, and the main purpose of the article was to show what belonged under each category. It is certain almost beyond a loubt that a man who is familiar with the legal tariff for cab hire in the city of Washington can ride more cheaply and more satisfactorily here than in almost any other city of America. As proof of this, in part, it may be said that the same STAR reporter vesterday afternoon took a coupe, neatly gotten up and drawn by a good horse and driven by a colored driver, in front of the War, State and Navy building and drove from there to the corner of 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue. When he dis-

mounted he handed the driver a quarter, the proper fare, and it was received with a polite "thank you." Whether the average woman or

an unsophisticated stranger in the city, whether

man or woman, would have been let off as lightly would be a hard question to answer. The experiences of a number of women re-

counted to THE STAR reporter before and since the original article was written would make it

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT.

look as though there was some doubt about this being the case.

For the purpose of finding cut just what the experiences of cab riders generally are The Star will print hereafter such communications as may be forwarded to it giving the experiences of its readers with the jehus of this city. All such communications must of course be signed with the name and address of the laugh and wanted a half more, and as I couldn't have a row before the ladies and didn't want to get thumped anyway, even in a perfectly secluded and private manner. I handed him over a dollar, and was sore with myself for a week afterward over that lost half—and lost in such a jay-like manner. I had him, of course, but I didn't keep my grip, and I have sometimes thought that the cab driver this being the case.

a house wedding. Only after all this is done now famous "cab article." Such at least were does the bridal party appear, and then the the directions given to the two reporters who collaborated the article and such was their in-

tention in the matter.

To find out what others who are in a position to speak authoritatively in the matter might think on the subject a STAR reporter yesterday called upon Hack Inspector Groff to learn of the situation from his point of view.

THE HACK INSPECTOR'S REPORT. Inspector Groff when questioned said that he did not care to be interviewed. He said, how-without even a pacemaker he covered the dis-ever that he did not think there was another tance in 2.17. Then Prentiss wanted to buy the city in the United States where there was less overcharging by the drivers of public vehicles. He referred the reporter to his annual report made only a few weeks ago, in which he first gives the number of licensed vehicles and a synopsis of his work during the past year, as follows: Vehicles licensed, 574; vehicles inspected, 565; vehicles rejected, 16; vehicles re-inspected and passed, 15; licenses transferred, 13; articles left in vehicles reported by passen-gers, 23; articles found in vehicles reported by drivers, 38; cases tried at Police Court, 84; cases amicably adjusted, 33; hack stands in the city, 25; visits to the various stands, 394.

HIS INSPECTION OF THE VEHICLES.

Following this he says: I have personally inspected all licensed public vehicles and rejected all unfit for service. I have found a few not exactly in appearance as I would want them, but I have not rejected them, because the substantialness which they had is the most essential qualification. Trade regulates appearances. Patrons always select izing this, are seldom slow to discover that it is to their financial benefit not to allow their venicles to become very shabby in appearance. My frequent vists to the back stands resulted in My frequent vists to the nack stands resulted in a marked improvement in the appearance of vehicles and benefited the service in general. All cases of the slightest irregularity were im-mediately investigated and the guilty parties held to strict account.

As much as I can learn of other cities I be-

lieve that our back system is at present effectually second to that of no other city. Yet there

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In conclusion allow me to express my thanks for your many untiring efforts, kind acts and beneficial suggestions for the promotion of the hack service. I must not neglect also to acknowledge my appreciation of the earnest efforts of many of the officers of your depart-ment to give to this representative city a representative back system.

THE CARMAN'S SIDE. All stories have several sides and this story s no exception to the general rule. The other side this time is the cabman's side. What does he think about it all? This is not such an easy matter to find out as one might imagine, for cabby is not a talkative individual unless he wants to be, and he is no more anxious than any one sise to tell what he considers interests himself a one. Yesterday afternoon THE STAB! man was unusually fortunate, for a cabman voluntarily hunted him up for the purpose of interviewing him on the reason THE STAR folded silk, might have for saying anything about the chinchille.

Some More About Its Excellencies and Its Defects.

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Why the Original Article was Written—Not to Attack the Cab Defects.

Article was Written—Not ab Drivers, but Solely to its of the System—Extracts or's Report.

STORY PRINTED IN last Saturday's STAR of a reporter who was sent out to write up his exout to write up his experiences among the cab drivers of Washington would seem to have been pretty generally read, if one may judge by the amount of critiby the amount of criticism and communications to the paper which it has called forth. The cab driver whose letter to The Stan was printed on Thursday started out with the idea, evidently, that the reporter was sent out for the sole purpose of attacking the cab system of this city. Nothing, of course, would be farther from the truth, as any one will see from an unprejudiced read-

remarked a sufferer to the philanthropic reporter men protests against his class being called an organized band of robbers. The cabman is quite right in his protest. The cabman are not an organized band of robbers; they are a disorganized band, but they get there just the same. Having my own carriage and horses I am not always at the mercy of a cabman, but accidents will happen even in the best regu-lated families and one day I was compelled to call a cab to take me from the Shoreham to the Baltimore and Potomac station, a distance of seventeen squares, worth at tariff rates 35 cents. The cabman insisted that it was 50 cents, and I insisted that it wasn't, but my arguments couldn't save that 15 cents, and it went. On another occasion I started with two ladies to walk part way to the theater, intending to stop for a moment at the Arlington and meet my carriage there. A snow storm came up, the carriage failed to appear and we took a cab at the Arlington stand and drove to the Academy of Music. The cabman said it was a dollar. I had no change less than a dollar, there was a crowd at the door and I dropped a quarter and that cabman. After the performance I ran across him by chance and thought how I could work him by having him take us home and then even up by paying him a half dollar only. That was a scheme, and when he delivered his load on 17th street near H, a distance of twelve to walk part way to the theater, intending to

load on 17th street near H, a distance of twelve squares, I gave him the half and he gave me

with a look of calm confidence that only a car ticket can inspire. The Story of a Ringer. From the Chicag > Times. "When I hear of jockeys pulling their hosses for a few paltry dollars," remarked a veteran

The story was asked for and was told as fol-

sport Friday evening in the Wellington, "it

knew it. He could trot in 2:12, which was a knew the speed of the colt. Devo got in finan-cial difficulties, and the sheriff was about to swoop down on him when the horse was spir-ited away. Bill McGuigan, the vetern driver, took hold of him and he began to campaign took hold of him and he began to campaign him. He beat everything in his class, and then he started in as a 'ringer.' He went through Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota, and won a barrel of money. He was in the .30 class, then the .25 and then the .18. On reaching Kansas City the crowd—two rubbers and McGuigan—went broke, and there wasn't enough to pay the entrance fee. A gambler named Prentiss was seen, and he was told of what McGuigan had. Prentiss said if he would show him a moonlight trial in .20 he would advance him a moonlight trial in .20 he would advance \$1,000. Small Hopes was hooked to a sulky and animal, but he wasn't for sale. Two days following he was entered in the 2.20 race and he lowing he was entered in the 2.20 race and he won in slow time. He was shipped that evening to Boston, where he was entered in the 2.25 trot along with Dictator and other fast ones. Prentiss went along and stood to win a fortune, but the trick was discovered. Small Hopes had a white hind leg and in order to disguise him it was painted. The race was for blood and the little horse was pushed, being driven out in 2.19. The next heat he won in 2.18 and then a crowd gathered at the stable. While he was being rubbed the driver of Dictator passed his hand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted leg and the color thand down over the painted in the 2.25 trot along with Dictator and other fast ones. It isn't a very small job to handle 1,500,000 mail bags per year and plenty of room is necessary. Including the leather pouches, cotton canvas sacks and jute bags, which last, by the way. Mr. Wanamaker also hopes to replace with American-made canvas in preference to the foreign jute, which is twice as expensive. An average of 4,000 individual pieces reach the bulk of mail matter goes west and consequently the heavie t demand for extra equipments comes from the eastern post offices. As soon in the was being rubbed the driver of Dictstor passed his hand down over the painted leg and the color stuck to his hand. A loud cry of 'ringer' went up. McGuigan was arrested and the rubbers escaped. All bets were called off and finally the horse was sold to Vanderbilt for \$17,000. Small Hopes was the greatest ringer the Amer-

Trickey's Death May Save Dr. Graves. Henry G. Trickey, the dead Boston reporter, was one of the chief witnesses in the Dr. Graves murder case at Denver. The latter's friends say that in the event of a new trial Trickey's death will save the doctor. Trickey swore to



master General Wanamaker's Administration-The Making of All the Bags Soon to Be Done by the Government.



new idea for cheapening the cost of the national mail service. into active operation before he retires from office next March, and in almost any event the old-fashioned leather mail pouch has seen its day. It will be super-

seded by a cotton canvas pouch with leather bottom, and considering that the service has about 1,000,000 leather pouches in use now the Postmaster Géneral's latest plan should effect a saving ultimately of about \$2,500,000. Expe-

larger post offices throughout the country so remarked a sufferer to the philanthropic reporter who is doing what he can to correct some of the faults of a cab age, "that one of the cabmen protests against his class being called an manufacture its own mail bags yet, but the its own locks for use in both the mail service locks are put up here and perhaps some future Postmaster General will succeed in establishing the pouch factory here as well. A force of 250 men and women now repairs bags, pouches and sacks, which were once thrown out and sold for old junk, and the 1,500,000 pieces handled every year have already brought an annual saving of \$60,000 to the Post Office Department. THE MAIL BAG REPAIR SHOP.

The "mail bag repair shop," as it is officially known to the Postmaster General, is really the only one in the country. A small branch exists in Chicago, but the bulk of the work is done here. The whole establishment has grown up in the last six years and there is no telling to what proportions the mail equipment will ex-tend in the next six. Previous to 1887 every big post office and about every other small one throughout the country boasted its own repair shop. The result was that more often than otherwise pouches and sacks looked rather like sieves than mail conveyances, while a piece only needed to be slightly torn or cut when the scrap pile claimed it and the junk dealer found rare bargains. Now the whole business is centralized. Every postmaster is compelled to send his surplus mail bags to ever post office in his section has denominated an official repository. the laugh and wanted a half more, and as I couldn't have a row before the ladies and didn't ington and after the immense C street "repair ington and after the immense C street "repair shop" has inspected the invoice the needed mending is supplied and the bags go to the "mail bag storehouse" in the same building. Postmasters requiring additional mail equip ment notify Second Assistant Postmaster Gen be signed with the name and address of the writer. In case of a supposed overcharge on the part of the driver the rider must state the distance traversed—that is to say, the points at never-changing French form of wedding costume let the material be what it may, but your the proposed overcharge on the part of the driver the rider must state the dustance traversed—that is to say, the points at would have been a jay himself to lose that half when he had such a delightful chump to deal with. But that doesn't excuse his violation of the ordinance and my confidence, and I want to give my testimony against those arraigned before ernment sooner or later manufactures its own supplies the appropriations for equipments can readily be reduced one-half, and contractors

1893 require that all surplus mail bags and all pouch locks at post offices on the line of the railway postal service be at once forwarded to the following repository offices, according to their several locations: Boston, New York, Atlanta, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Paul, St. Louis and San Francisco, the Washington office.

A minister well known of Chicago recently has the content of being called into requisition for a like purpose covering offices in the District, Delaware Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Caro sport Friday evening in the Wellington, "it always reminds me of the hot day when the box held over \$100,000 on Small Hopes at Boston."

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All Friday evening in the Wellington, "it always reminds me of the hot day when the box held over \$100,000 on Small Hopes at Boston." all parts of the country, regardless of postal routes. Every one of the 2,800,000 pieces, there-"Eighteen years ago there was no trotter on earth as fast as Sm all Hopes and but few people the concern certainly is. It does not employ as the could trot in 2:12, which was a many helpers as the mints and money manufacturing bureau, but in a manner it is fully as not the speed of the colt. Devo got in a manufacturing bureau, but in a manner it is fully as interesting. The "renair show" interesting. The "repair shop" presents that anomaly of no civil service in a civil service department, and critics have called it "the slave pen," "Uncle Sam's harem," and similar uncomplimentary names. But to the outside observer it looks as if faith ful employes could earn as much in the "repair shop" under the government as in like estab-lishments without the executive circle, and so far from being treated like brutes, the humane order of Mr. Wanamaker's second assistant gives the hard-working helpers what at least no other government concern furnishes gratis. It is only a small thing as such matters go, but the best of hot tea and coffee, with extras ad libi-tum, is a highly acceptable addition to the oftentimes sparse luncheon of a piece worker who earns less than \$2 per day.

NOT A SMALL JOB. The building used as a storehouse and repair shop is five stories in height and every foot of cemes from the eastern post offices. As soon as a consignment arrives in the morning two select workmen are turned loose among the leather pouches and one other takes the jute and canvas sacks in hand. Every pouch and and canvas sacks in hand. Every pouch and bag is subjected to a thorough examination for defects and stray mail matter which postal clerks may have overlooked. Quite frequently a registered package or a bunch of ordinary letters tumbles out, and in such cases the find is immediately shipped to the office from which the invoice was billed. The treasure trove is sometimes of a curious order, but that is not allowed to count, and the work of inspection goes ahead. As soon as twenty pouches or sacks have been found in good condition nineteen are rolled together and placed dition nineteen are rolled together and placed in the twentieth, to be taken to the storehouse for reshipment to some office demanding ex-tras. Leather pouches often have rents, railtras. Leather pouches often have rents, railway catcher pouches are frequently cut by cars, the ordinary sacks generally show rough usage in the same way and are minus the tying string at the same time. For these there is a remedy above stairs and the sorters duty ends when he has either sent the consignment up for repairs or condemned a portion of it as no longer worth mending. If the latter, the best pieces of canvas are cut out for patching use, the knob fastener is removed and the iron rings go to the scrap pile from the end of an automatic punch. The junk and scraps are auctioned off every two months and the sales average about \$800 each, adding up nearly \$5,000 a year. The average number of canvas and jute sacks condemned per day is 150, while hardly 365 leather pouches go out of service in a year with the present system of repairs.

THE WORK OF ALTERATION. On the next floor the work of alteration be On the next floor the work of alteration begins, and a round percentage of the 250 employee find their tasks there. The job of restringing the cloth sacks is left entirely to two women, and six-tenths of a cent is the rate of compensation per piece. They are experts who handle the tie, and 300 to 350 is their common day's labor each. One of the women is the only blind employe in government service anywhere and in her line is said to be among the most rapid workers of the establishment. The

much more tough to sew upon, except seasoned lumber or cast iron. The sewing room attends to that particular need of the repair shop, however, and 100 employes make it their business to turn out 4,000 serviceable pieces of patchwork every work areas working dealers. work every working day. The male sex can't overnment.

handle a needle properly in official opinion, and is consequently barred beyond assisting to bring up the defective sacks, carrying them down when repaired, and keep tab on the quantity and quality of the work produced. The 100 ampliance of the sewing room ere all women of Partially, at least, the innovation will be put into active operation before he retires from skilled labor, and even then many of the employes earn as much per month as do some of the skilled piece workers in the government printing office. The sewing room may be a grinding down of the laborer, but it doesn't look that way superficially, nor is the grinding in the interests of a corporation or moreoney. in the interests of a corporation or monopoly.

THE PAY IS FAIR. In proportion to the amount of work re quired the pay is fully as large as that allowed the male employes, although some of the female labor associations have made life a burden at faults, for even the cab driver himself admitted that there might be a few black sheep among his clan. The experience of the woman war words her letter to The Star printed on Thursday is also itself proof positive that women are not always treated even by cab drivers with the consideration that is shown to large and lusty men.

| A SUFFERER's county and tall such a street the word of the propriation is allowed this session that we'll treat them square if they'll give us a chance.

"Thank we are, and that we'll treat them square if they'll give us a chance.

"Thank you, sir. I knew you'd be willing to do the square thing by us fellows. And say, look here, the next time you want to take a cab wrote her letter to The Star printed on Thursday is also itself proof positive that women are not always treated even by cab drivers with the consideration that is shown to large and lusty men.

| A SUFFERER's county and that we'll treat them square if they'll give us a chance.

| The scheme is one which has long been discussed by Mr. Wanamaker, Second Assistant do the ruling prices may be increased, because the chief of the equipment division. Various plans were thoroughly studied and this week a force of men was put to work making a dozen or more of the square in the ruling prices may be increased, because the chief of the equipment division. Various plans were thoroughly studied and this week a force of men was put to work making a dozen or more of the spin prices may be increased, because the chief of the equipment division. Various plans were thoroughly studied and this week a force of men was put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work making a dozen or more of the put to work ma Hereafter the government will manufacture

and free delivery system. Ever since its estab-lishment the "repair shop" has worked over the locks that needed tinkering, but during the last few months an addition was made to the building, the necessary machinery was put in and forty skilled mechanics, who are paid by rate work room during business hours, and the operation of making new locks out of old ones goes merrily on, while the division chief has provided safeguards against any possible filch-

mechanics. Nobody is ever admitted to the secret precincts of the registered locks, and the pouches are infinitely more intricate than the common mail bag article, and their mechanism is guarded as closely as the scheme of running silk threads across the back of treasury notes. At any rate, the Postmaster General's scheme affords, through the trick of the new-fangled

readily be reduced one-half, and contractors will have meager pickings.

The rules of the department for 1892 and The rules of the department for 1892 and I was supposed to haunt the palms at night, and M. Maspero results of the value of the distinction of being lates that every time he passed by in the evenshop" will be establishments of a very unique

The Parson Was No Thief.

A minister well known in one of the suburbs of Chicago recently had an amusing though annoying experience.

The reverend gentleman owns and drives a fine-looking horse. Not long ago he took a drive into the city. It being a dusty day he were an old overcoat and rather seedy hat, which gave him an unministerial and decidedly tramplike appearance. The borse, however, was well groomed, sleek and handsome. Artiving in the city he put the horse up at a livery stable while he went on his way to stiend to duties elsewhere. He noticed as he drove into the stable that the hostlers eyed him closely and looked the animal over rather minutely, but he thought nothing of it and went on his way. In an hour or two he re-turned and ordered his horse. He jumped into the buggy, seized the reins and was about to drive out when a policeman stepped up, grabbed the borse by the bits and forbade the driver to proceed any further. A detective in citizen's clothes was with the policeman and he "Whose horse is that?"

"My own." "How long have you had it?" "Eight months," "Well, we have a description of a stoler

horse that corresponds exactly with this. We have telephoned to the owner and you can't go till he comes." "Why!" exclaimed the minister, his heart rising to his throat, "why, you don't take me for a horse thief, I hope? This horse is mine,

"I am sorry to detain you, sir, but you can-

not go."
"Why," stammered the perturbed gentleman "Why, stammered the perturbed gentleman of the cloth, "I'm a minister; I live at —"
"Oh, we've had that game worked before," replied the detective, as he looked significantly at the old clothes of his prisoner. "You drive a pretty fine horse, don't you?" "She's a good horse, but say, honestly, isn't this a joke?"

"No joke at all, sir. Keep quiet and wait till "No joke at all, sir. Acception of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. We have a description of a horse stolen a case. "No; that is not necessary. This is too clear a case. We have a description of a horse stolen yesterday—a bay mare, two white feet, weight 1,100 pounds a scar behind the left shoulder, a light buggy with two robes, one white and one black. Now, look at your horse and buggy robes; the description tallies exactly. Look at this scar behind the left shoulder!"

Sure enough the minister's horse was per-fectly described. He had nothing to do but sit still and wait. After two long hours were away the man whose horse had been stolen appeared on the scene.
"That is not my horse, gentlemen," he said.



Wife and Got Her. 1 story. He twisted his mustache-reflectively,

> Nantucket a year ago to get married. That Mass., where my father used to live, that fifteen was just before I got my promotion to the com- soldiers were wanted. mand of a troop. It was a beautiful day in June when Heft Boston, bound for the tight little and my brother, that was next older than I, island, taking a train from the Old Colony sta- was one that was selected. He did not return tion at about noon. I was as happy as a man till late at night, when we were all in bed. should feel who is going to wed the girl of his When I rose in the morning I found my mother choice within twenty-four hours. "I had bought three or four comic pa- John, was to march next day after tomorrow

GOING FOR A BRIDE.

pers, feeling in a mood for humor, and was morning at sunrise. My father was in Boston composing myself for their perusal when the conductor came along and asked for my ticket. He was supplied with summer clothes he must suffer for winter garments. employes of the sewing room are all women, of He was a very solemn-looking person, and he There were at this time no stores and no articles all ages, all colors and previous conditions of eved me with a frown as he punched the bit of to be had, except such as each family could paste board I handed him. As he cave it back make itself. The sight are

boy with a large string of fish came and stared at me. He gazed at me for so long a time that at length I demanded to know what there was about my appearance that several tha

"Of course you are the young leftenant that's going to marry Miss Susy Coffin tomorrow. The other girls will be envying bar and a susy in form any modern improvement."

"She whisked herself away before I had a From the London Globe. building the necessary machinery was put in and forty skilled mechanics, who are paid by identify me. I walked through the cabin, the day, carry on operations behind lock and key on the top floor. The crude steel required giggled and looked at me significantly as I me, saying:
"'I'm puttin'on an extra elegant shine to last

over the weddin'.'
"'How did you know who I was?' I de-

provided safeguards against any possible filening of the mechanical secrets, which would make robbing mail bags an easy matter. The contracts with lockmaking firms have expired and gradually the government product will take the place of corporation outputs. It is claimed that the official job is a much more serviceable and less expensive idea, and the experiments with free delivery system locks have so far filled the bill satisfactorily.

Naturally it will be many a long day until the supply of contract locks has been absolutely replaced, but the most important results are expected from the registered lock department. There only one employe labors, and he is in a room closely locked, even against his fellow would be driven to Miss Coffin's house or to the hotel. I chose the latter alternative, and presently found myself in the act of signing the register at the hostelry. The clerk, as be the Sphinx. The ancient Egyptians, he ascoin vauits of the treasury are not more ex-coin vauits of the treasury are not more ex-clusive. The locks used on registered mail

affords, through the trick of the new-langled registered lock, a less degree of temptation to the dishonestly inclined postal clerk while the pouch is en route.

The next few years may also bring the manwas informed, enjoyed the distinction of being the only criminal that the Nantucket jall had ever contained. He had been the cashier of the town bank, but had been unable to keep his hands off the funds. So he was sentenced for a long term, but, in order that he might continue to earn a living for his family, he was only obliged to sleep in the jail nights, being permitted to go at large on parole in the daypermitted to go at large on parole in the day-time. Another friend I made was the restan-rant keeper of the place, who was accustomed to shut up his eating house during the noon

hour every day and go home to lunch.
"We sailed away, like the owl and the pussy "We sailed away, like the owl and the pussy cat, to 'the continent,' as Nantucketers call the mainland, and without further adventure we arrived in Boston. As is the case with all newly married couples, we felt a little auxious on the train lest people might spot us for bride and groom. We thought we noticed some glances and whispers among our fellow-passengances and whispers among our fellow-passengances but it was probably only imagination, for gers, but it was probably only imagination, for i played my own part very well indeed, reading a newspaper nearly all of the way. On reaching the city of culture I gave the checks for our trunks to a cabman, who put the baggage on behind, and we started off for the Parker House. You may judge of our surprise when, on looking out of the windows of the vehicle, we observed people all along the streets which we traversed pointing at our cab and laughing. we observed pointing at our cab and laughing.
Inasmuch as there was nothing about the back to distinguish it from any other similar conveyance, and we were hidden away inside, we \$10,000," he replied, with a certain air of solicitude.

"A life insurance policy?" she repeated, with "You don't expect to die, do you?"

mark or derision.
"Meanwhile it had begun to rain, and, on dis-"Meanwhile it had begun to rain, and, on dismounting at the hotel, I opened my umbrella to shelter my wife. A shower of rice, which some ill-advised jokers at Nantucket had put into the umbrella, fell out of it. This caused passers by to stop and grin. I did not enjoy the jest at all. However, having taken my wife into the hotel through the ladies entrance, I left her to go to the main door and see that my happen ge was properly disposed of. Upon my baggege was properly disposed of. Upon my word, everybody in the crowded lobby seemed to be laughing, and, on looking at the trunks which the porters were bringing in, I perceived the cause. On both handles of each trunk were huge bows of white satin, doubtless put on by the bridesmaids. It was these which had at-

She is the Daughter of a Conchman, but Her Grandchildren May Be Swells. From the New York Tribune.

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"Here is an illustration," said a New Yorker the other day, "how the European serving classes get on over there. For six months past I have noticed that when I took a certain surface car at a certain hour in the morning I was pretty sure to find aboard a remarkably pretty girl, exceedingly well dressed in a quiet, even elegant style. Her beauty of form and face "Besides, I did not say 'scar' in my telephone message, but 'wart." This horse has no wart."

Exit two sheepish-looking officers and one smiling minister amid the chaffing of the hostwas so striking that I easily recognized her when on several occasions I encountered her in a restaurant after the theater. At such times she was accompanied often by a young man whose dress and manner were really very good, so good that I found it somewhat difficult to

so good that I found it somewhat difficult to place his social position.

"A short time ago I was at a wedding up the Hudson, and what was my surprise to see grouped with the family retainers my fair incognita and the unknown young man. Knowing the brother of the bride well I questioned him and found that the two are brother and sister and children of the pompous old English coachman, who has been years in the service of the household. And I found, further, that the son has a good business situation and has mary the household. And I found, further, that the son has a good business situation and has married a girl who brought him a fair sum of money and will have more when her father dies, and that his beautiful sister, who has a well-paid place as a clock model, will soon marry a man, from the ranks indeed, but one who has been able to make and keep plenty of money.

"Their home in New York has been always the few hare rooms over the stable where below

"Their home in New York has been always the few bare rooms over the stable where below in hard wood elegance the pampered horses cared for by her father are quartered. In ten years both of their children will probably have horses and coachmen of their own and in twenty, perhaps, these children will be entering society. Two generations ahead it is difficult to predict just where their ambition and opportunities will have ted. America is certainly a

MOME-MADE PANTALOONS.

How an Army Lieutenant Went to Seek a How a Girl of the Revolution Manufact

tured a Pair for Her Brother. TT WAS THE CAPTAIN'S TURN FOR A From the Grownfield (Mass.) Gazette. "Late in the afternoon of one of the last days

took a sip from his glass of brandy and sods, of May, in the year '76, when I (Mrs. Eunice Locke Richards) was a few months short of "As most of you fellows know, I went to fifteen years old, notice came to Townsend, "The training band was instantly called out,

in tears, who informed me that my brother, pasteboard I handed him. As he gave it back to me he said:

"Are you the gentleman who is going to marry Miss Coffin in Nantucket temorrow?"

"I replied with an astonished affirmative, wondering how he could possibly have known. He passed on without giving me an opportunity to soive the riddle, and I did not have another chance to streak to him on the noint. "On arriving at Woods Holl I was obliged to

chance to speak to him on the point.

"On arriving at Woods Holl I was obliged to
wait for an hour on the wharf for the steamboat which was to convey me to the island.
As I stood and looked across the water in the
"I have some small shears at the loom," said L.
"But you can't spin and weave it in so short a time.' 'I am certain we can, mother.

rience with the present cotton canvas sacks in transporting second, third and fourth-class matter has shown that they far outlast the others, and besides a fully equipped pouch of this character will cost barely \$2.50, where the leather pouch is worth \$5 at contract forms. swinging his eyes intently upon me and swinging his fish to and fro, he replied:

"I suppose you are the gent that's goin' to marry the young lady in Nantucket."

"By the great horned spoon!" I exclaimed.
"How on earth did you know that?"

"I she the wool in by my little sister and Luther ran for a black down in the property of the sister. "I just guessed it, was the only response he vonchasfed.

"At last the beat came and I went aboard. I was still engaged in puzzling over the recognition I had encountered at the hands of the conductor and the small boy, because I had met Miss Coffin in Boston and had never before been in that part of the country through which I was now journeying. My surprise was increased when the stewardess came up to me two or three hours before the briber's described in the stewardess came up to me.

for the apparatus is of course purchased from contractors, but the finished product is now turned out from the "repair shop." The knot catch employed on the canvas and jute sacks is the simplest in construction and easily made after the so-called "dog lock" and slide have been turned to their proper shape. Like the employes at the bureau of engraving the real locksmiths are not allowed to leave their separate work room during business hours, and the canvas and that one of the server of t Cairo. One colossus remained to cur day, it having been preserved under the sand, and ca being unearthed by Caviglia at the beginning of manded.

"Why, 'cause everybody's been expectin' his youth.

This colossus has been visited by most tour-

handed me an ancient pen with whiskers on it, remarked:

"We have your room all ready for you, lieutenant. You are to have the bridal chamber."

"It seemed that he knew me because I were delivered oracles. In later times the double or delivered oracles. "It seemed that he knew me because I were an army cap, and it was this article of dress which had caused the conductor, the small who approached the statue, and even with kills who approached the statue, and even with kill-

Thinking of the Bereafter

"What's that for?" he asked in doubtful

"So that I can learn something about it and cook you dainty dishes every day, darling," she twittered sweetly.

He hadn't anything more to say, and in the

evening when he returned home he laid an official envelope in her lap.
"What is it, dear?" she inquired, proceeding

a shiver. "You don't expect to die, do you?" and she got up and put her arms around his

From the Chicago Daily Inter-Ocean.

Chief Smith of the department of transporta-

tion exhibits has arranged for an exhibit of tracted attention while we were riding in in the world. This system is the property of Daniel Coxe, the young son of E. B. Coxe of Daniel Coxe, the young son of E. B. Coxe of Reading, Pa. It is perfect in its equipment, and will be exhibited at the fair just as it is now in actual operation on the farm of the father of its young owner. Master Coxe will be in charge of the exhibit while it is here. The gauge of the track for this wonderful system is nine inches. There are two locomotives, modern and complete in every detail, Each engine draws a train of five cars and each car is built to carry two passengers. The loco-

Irish Home Rule Bill Drafted. The Irish home rule bill has been drafted and circulated among members of the cabinet

